

REMARKS

Applicants appreciate the indication that claims 15, 16, 22, 23, 26 and 28-43 are allowed and that claims 6-8 are objected to and would be allowable if rewritten in independent form. Applicants respectfully note that claim 21 is dependent on allowable claim 22; therefore, applicants further believe that claim 21 also is allowable. Also, claim 27 had been cancelled previously.

Claims 3-5, 9-13, 24 and 25 are newly rejected under 35 USC § 103 from Seiden U.S. Patent No.5,288,512 combined with articles of Ghosh, Geller, Dull and Nouredдини.

Applicants hereby add the subject matter of allowable claim 6 into independent claim 3. Claims 4, 5, 7-13, 24 and 25 remain dependent upon claim 3. Claim 6 has been cancelled. It is respectfully understood that the objection to claims 6-8 has been obviated and the rejection of claims 3-5, 9-13, 24 and 25 has been removed.

The present paper is presented without prejudice to further pursue the rejected method and composition claims in a future

application.

Applicants respectfully believe that each of claims 3-5, 7-13, 15, 16, 21-26 and 28-43 is in condition for allowance.

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